

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Group Art Unit of Parent App. 09/556,158: 3623
R. de Sylva et al. : Examiner of Parent App: Boyce, Andre D
Filed: January 22, 2004 : Date: January 22, 2004
For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD**
FOR FACILITATING
INTERACTION BETWEEN
PARTICIPANTS IN A
TRANSACTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests that the accompanying remarks be considered: